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Installation Restoration Progra

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This fact sheet has been developed to inform the public about the Installation Restoration (IR) program at Naval Air Station (NAS) Whiting Field in Milton, Florida. The IR program investigates and cleans up areas of contamination from past practices at military installations nationwide. Fact sheets will be produced at program milestones and in response to public interest. Distribution is coordinated through the NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs Office, (850) 623-7651.

Citizens Advisory Board Looking for New Members

NAS Whiting Field is committed to public involvement in the base environmental cleamup program. Our Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) is a great opportunity to get involved in this effort. We are currently looking for new members who are eager to represent our local community and serve its interests.

What is the RAB?

The RAB is a forum for discussion and exchange of information among members of the community, the Navy, State, and Federal regulatory agencies. The RAB works in partnership with NAS Whiting Field on environmental restoration issues and is headed by co-chairs representing the community and NAS Whiting Field.

Members have an opportunity to voice their concerns, opinions, and suggestions about environmental issues at NAS Whiting Field. The RAB does not make final decisions on environmental restoration activities, but can influence the direction and outcome of cleanup activities.

How will new RAB members be selected?

- Interested individuals should call to request a membership application. Please call Pat Durbin (RAB Navy Co-Chair) at 850-623-7181, extension 48 or W. Logan Fink (Community RAB Co-Chair) at 850-484-4464. Or better still, attend the next RAB meeting and meet present members. See the enclosed flyer for details on the meeting.
- The deadline for receipt of completed applications is October 24, 1997. Mail or fax applications to Pat Durbin. The

- mailing address and fax number are on the reverse side of this fact sheet.
- The Commanding Officer at NAS Whiting
 Field will review the completed applications and
 select new members. Selected members will be
 notified by November 7, 1997.

What are RAB membership requirements?

- Term: Two years.
- Availability to Community: Members should act as a direct, vocal, and reliable link with the community.
- Attendance: Members are expected to attend all RAB meetings or send an alternate.
- Residency: Community members or organizations must reside in the vicinity of NAS Whiting Field.

What are the RAB members' responsibilities?

The RAB will have several responsibilities:

- Conduct regular meetings (usually quarterly), open to the public.
- Make recommendations on environmental restoration issues. (continued on back)



Groundwater sampling demonstration at a recent RAB meeting.

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- Encourage public participation through questions and comments from the public at RAB meetings.
- Make meeting minutes available to the public.

NAS Whiting Field RAB meetings are held at convenient times and locations, as agreed to by the membership.

Who can I contact for more information?

If you have other questions about the RAB or the environmental program at NAS Whiting Field, please contact:

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